



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held November 25, 2003, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“Marvin Gaye, ‘The Prince of Motown,’ is famous for his ageless music that touched the lives of many not only throughout the County of Los Angeles, but throughout the entire Nation. His music echoed the sentiments of the times, reaching adults and younger generations alike who felt the sincerity of his struggle and the joy of this musical icon’s spirit over decades. Marvin Gaye undoubtedly has maintained a lifelong legacy as an artistic rebel and sensual romanticist dating back to the sixties, seventies, and eighties before his untimely death in 1984. To this day, his music still penetrates into the homes and hearts of many, while capturing the essence of true culture, community, struggle, and triumph. As a beacon of musical inspiration to the many generations that will follow his successful career, it is very befitting that the achievement and legacy of this great artist be marked by the issuance of a special commemorative United States Postage Stamp in his honor.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried, the Board declared their support for the issuance of a commemorative United States Postage Stamp in honor of Marvin Gaye, and instructed the Executive Officer of the Board to send a letter to the Chairperson of the Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee and the Postmaster General urging them to approve the issuance of such a stamp.

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Each Supervisor  
Chief Administrative Officer  
County Counsel

Letters sent to:

United States Postmaster General  
Chairperson, Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee